

#### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5           A blend comprising a paraffin wax emulsion and a polymer emulsion, wherein the  
polymer contains polymerized units of one or more C<sub>1-12</sub> ester of acrylic or methacrylic  
acid and a vinyl ester of a C<sub>8-13</sub> neo-acid. When the blend is applied as a coating to a  
substrate, such as a nonwoven web, a nonwoven absorbent pad, a nonwoven textile, or  
a textile fabric, and dried, it has a hydrostatic head barrier sufficient to prevent passage  
10 of aqueous fluids but allow passage of water vapor through it. A multi-layer material  
comprising at least one layer of a nonwoven web, an absorbent pad, or a textile, and at  
least one layer of the above described blend.